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Applicant: H. Robert Horvitz et al. Art Unit: 1633
Serial No.: 09/993,420 Examiner:
Filed: November 6, 2001 Customer No.: 21559
Title: IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF A GENE
WHICH PROTECTS CELLS FROM PROGRAMMED CELL DEATH
AND USES THEREFOR

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed on January 24, 2002, Applicants amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Replace the Sequence Listing filed with the application on November 6, 2001 and located at the end of the specification with the amended Sequence Listing submitted with the accompanying statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.825.

REMARKS

Applicants amend the application to include an amended Sequence Listing that is in accordance with the sequence rules. This Sequence Listing has been amended to refer to the current patent application number and filing date. The present amendments contain no new matter.

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